# The Gender Pay Gap: Can We Make Equal Pay a Reality?





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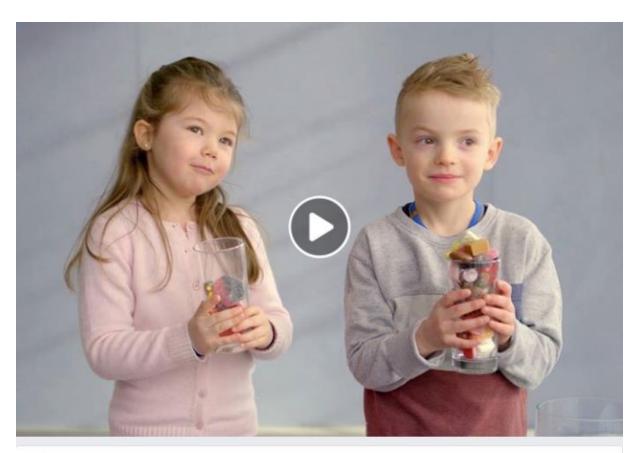
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## Unequal pay through the eyes of children





What do these kids understand that your boss doesn't? The Finance Sector Union of Norway

26M Views



## **Equal Pay Day**

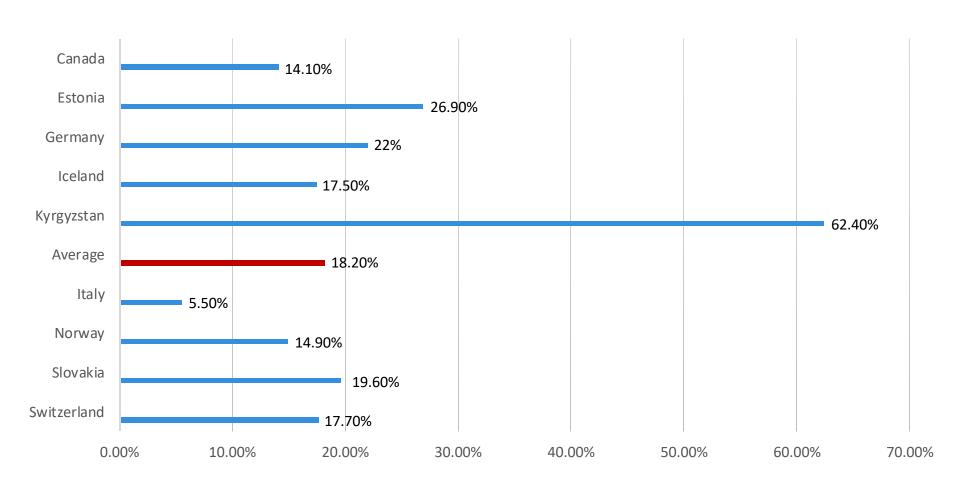




#### The Gender Pay Gap in the UNECE region

#### **GENDER PAY GAP IN SELECTED UNECE COUNTRIES**

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF WOMEN AND MEN AS % OF MEN EARNINGS



Source: UNECE Gender Database



### Why does the Gender Pay Gap persist?

- Different jobs, different sectors
- Few women in leadership positions
- Balancing work & family responsibilities
- Negotiation power & discrimination

67%

of all workers in the health & social sector are female

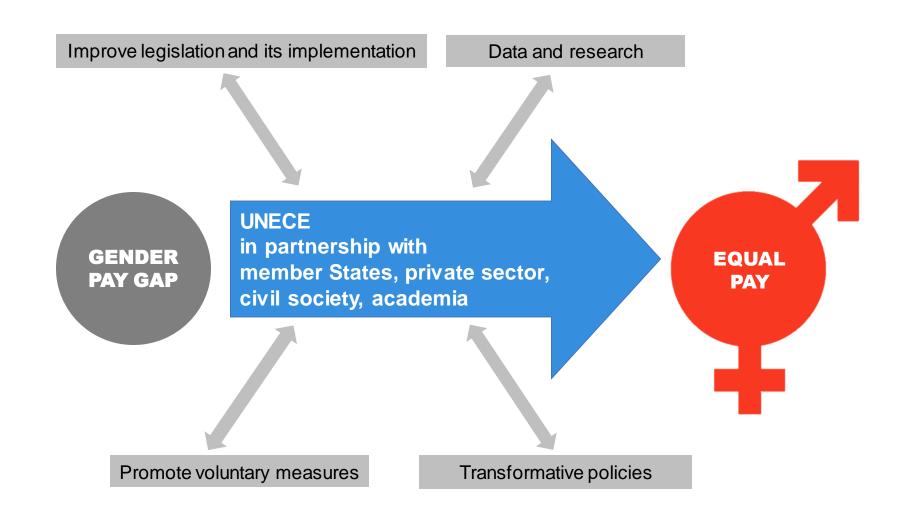
23%

of board members in publicly listed companies are female 26%

of women in the
UNECE region work
part-time, compared
to 10% men



### **How to close the Gender Pay Gap?**





# Thank you

